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*Reports of States and yearly and monthly reports of cities.*

MICHIGAN.—Reports to the State board of health, Lansing, for the week ended June 25, 1898, from 77 observers, indicate that intermittent fever and inflammation of bowels increased, and diarrhea decreased in area of prevalence. Phthisis pulmonalis was reported prevalent at 172, measles at 50, scarlet fever at 22, diphtheria at 21, enteric fever at 18, and whooping cough at 18 places.

NEW YORK.—Reports to the State board of health, Albany, from 146 cities, towns, and villages, show a total of 9,748 deaths, including diphtheria, 223; enteric fever, 86; measles, 109; scarlet fever, 113; whooping cough, 112, and 1,127 from phthisis pulmonalis.

The Monthly Bulletin says:

There has been a small decrease in the mortality from the two preceding months, from a daily average of 333 deaths to 315; in May, 1897, the daily average was 300. The death rate was 17.15 against 18.75 in April and 17.00 in May, 1897. The decrease in the number of deaths from April to May is less than usual, there being uniformly in this State a diminution amounting to about 800, this year there being less than 300. The mortality of early life is about the same as customary for both May and April, 27.5 per cent of the deaths occurring under the age of 5 years. There were 900 deaths from zymotic diseases, a number below the average, the two months of May and April being usually nearly identical in these. Scarlet fever is the only one of this class which shows an increase; there were 113 deaths reported from it, only 10 of which occurred outside the maritime district. Diphtheria has further decreased, and the 221 deaths from it are but half the average number for May for the past ten years. Whooping cough is more prevalent than it was a year ago and is generally distributed throughout the State. Other zymotic diseases show no deviation from the average mortality. The most notable occurrence during the month was the importation into this State the last of April of smallpox by a traveling theatrical troupe in which was a mild ambulant case of varioloid contracted in West Virginia, escaping detection until it had visited 20 places; the troupe, which traveled in its own cars and had its own exhibition tent, was arrested May 21 at Geneva and placed in quarantine; cases from its membership or contracted by others have developed at Ithaca, Geneva, Buffalo, Dansville, Locke, Union Springs, West Sparta, Rochester, and recently also at Fredonia and Moravia. All these cases are in quarantine and the further spread is not anticipated; none of them have proved fatal. The mortality from acute respiratory diseases is 300 less than in April and 200 more than in last May, and there is a small increase in deaths from other local diseases over the number of a year ago. Grippe has not caused more than 200 deaths; it has been credited this year with 2,300 deaths, and the current epidemic, commencing in January, is practically ended. The weather during the month was characterized by the average temperature for the State, a moderate excess of rainfall, an unusually small number of clear days, with high relative humidity of the atmosphere, and moderate varying winds.

